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QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST

There follows a listing of some of the significant issues responded to by WBFF-TV,
Baltimore, Maryland, along with the most significant
programming treatment for the period of

January 1, 2005 through March 31, 2005

The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority
nor significance. The list is by no means exhaustive.

ISSUE: SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Program: Straight Talk
Broadcast: January 9/10:30PM
Source: Local
Length: 30 minutes
Description: B Spirit...a community-based youth risk prevention and intervention program in Baltimore's Park Heights Community has been at work for 11 years providing academic help, recreational opportunities, spiritual development, and self-esteem, good-decision making skills to keep young people off of the street. Founder Nargas Hyman shared how the program started and has grown. "three generations" of program participants discussed their growth in the program. Guests include teens, Cierra Salisbury, Chris Barkley, Frank Crocket, and elementary school students, Jamal Greshon and Cole Hale.

Program: Straight Talk
Broadcast: February 13/11:30PM
Source: Local
Length: 30 minutes
Description: Host Mike Gimbel and athlete-counselor Steven Ehasz, President of Ahead of the Curve discussed health, substance abuse and athletes. An examination of substance use to enhance performance and impact on health as well as what it takes to be a good, healthy, and drug-free athlete.

News at Ten Cover Stories:

Broadcast Date: January 25/10:18PM
Length: 3:40
Source: Local
Description: Kids and steroids. Sports reporter Amber Theoharis examines the use of performance enhancing substances by young athletes.

Broadcast Date: February 16/10:17PM
Length: 3:50
Source: Local
Description: "Robo Trippin". Kids and teens have a new drug of choice, cough medicine like Robutussin which young people are drinking to get high.

ISSUE: CRIME/CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Program: America's Most Wanted
Broadcast: Saturdays 9PM
Source: Network

Length: 60 minutes

Description: A weekly program featuring profiles on fugitives and unsolved crimes in which viewers' help is solicited to bring criminals to justice. The program also features missing children alerts to help identify them and reunite them with their families

Program: Maryland's Most Wanted

Broadcast: Saturdays/10:20PM

Source: Local

Length: 1:30

Description: The News at Ten in cooperation with Maryland State Police, area sheriffs' offices, and the local office of the FBI presents a local "most wanted" feature following the Saturday broadcast of "America's Most Wanted". During the news feature, information about unsolved Maryland crimes and wanted fugitives is presented and viewers help is requested to bring criminals to justice.

News at Ten Cover Stories

Broadcast Date: March 15/10:19PM

Length: 4:00

Source: Local

Description: Reporter Kathleen Cairns talks with psychologists to look into the mind of a murderer.

Broadcast Date: March 8/10:21PM

Length: 3:50

Source: Local

Description: The Maryland Juvenile Justice System is in shambles and officials are trying to make improvements. Officials have traveled to Missouri to see what they are doing right and what can be learned from their juvenile justice system. Investigative reporter Loy Lepola reports.

Broadcast Date: March 12/10:18PM

Length: 4:00

Source: Local

Description: Crime Stoppers....they reward money to people with information to help solve crimes and bring perpetrators to justice. But are they offering enough to motivate the public to get involved? Is the program working? Joy Lepola investigates.

Broadcast Date: February 17/10:14PM

Length: 3:50

Source: Local

Description: Anchor Jennifer Gilbert uses an interactive test for viewers in which memory of eyewitnesses is tested to help identify criminals. The test was followed with tips to help the public sharpen their memories.

Broadcast Date: February 21/10:14PM
Length: 4:00
Source: Local
Description: Reporter Keith Daniels talks to the producer of the underground "Stop Snitching" video which has caused great controversy as to its impact in bringing witnesses into the court rooms.

ISSUE: ENVIRONMENT

News at Ten Cover Stories:

Broadcast Date: January 24/10:23PM
Length: 3:30
Source: Local
Description: A local nursery is growing blue crabs with plans to release them into the Chesapeake Bay in efforts to continue bountiful harvests. What impact will it make? Anchor Jeff Barnd examines the issue.

Broadcast Date: February 8/10:17PM
Length: 4:20
Source: Local
Description: People are turning government waste into nutrition and they're dumpster diving for free food that others have thrown away. For many, dumpster diving has become a way of life. Keith Daniels reports.

Broadcast Date: March 7/10:21PM
Length: 4:00
Source: Local
Description: Reporter John Rydell explores the increase in windmills along Maryland's skyline and how this cheaper, cleaner way of producing energy is also producing controversy.

Broadcast Date: March 16/10:23PM
Length: 3:45
Source: Local
Description: Reporter Megan McHale examines a local company that is growing organic fish that many believe to be safer to eat. What's the future impact and how safe are the fish?

Broadcast Date: January 25/10:18PM
Length: 3:40
Source: Local
Description: The oyster population in the Chesapeake is in serious trouble and is now impacting the local and state agenda. The Governor supports introducing the Asian oyster. What will the impact be? Megan McHale investigates.

ISSUE: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

News at Ten Cover Stories:

Broadcast Date: March 23/10:19PM
Length: 3:50
Source: Local
Description: Reporter Jeff Abell examines silly bills that Maryland legislators are bringing to the house floor.

Broadcast Date: March 30/10:17PM
Length: 4:30
Source: Local
Description: A look at the training of local firefighters and hometown heroes in the making.

Broadcast Date: March 3/10:19PM
Length: 3:30
Source: Local
Description: Workers compensation agreed to renovate a disabled man's home to make it accessible but no one has shown up to do the work. Joy Lepola investigates.

Broadcast Date: January 11/10:18PM
Length: 3:30
Source: Local
Description: A preview of some of the challenges and issues that Maryland lawmakers will address in this year's legislative session. John Rydell reports.

Broadcast Date: January 18/10:23PM
Length: 3:40
Source: Local
Description: Baltimore is considering permitting nightclubs to operate 24/7. Reporter Christy Wicks examines the pros and cons.

ISSUE: HEALTH

Program: Straight Talk
Broadcast: March 13/11:30PM
Source: Local
Length: 30 minutes
Description: Host Mike Gimble discussed eating disorders, diagnosis and treatment with Dr. Harry Brandt, Medical Director of the Eating Disorders Program at Sheppard Pratt Hospital.

News at Ten Cover Stories:

Broadcast Date: January 17/10:18PM
Length: 3:40
Source: Local
Description: Medical ethics. Tissue banks have illegally paid to have brain tissue harvested...and many times without the consent of the donor's relatives. Jennifer Gilbert reports.

Broadcast Date: January 21/10:19PM
Length: 3:50
Source: Local
Description: Healthy travels. During the winter, risk for accidents on the roads increase. Reporter Craig Demchak examines the risks of the roads and shares info for defensive driving and accident prevention.

Broadcast Date: January 27/10:23PM
Length: 3:45
Source: Local
Description: A look at a little known type of Lyme disease called Stari, Southern Tick Associated Rash Illness.

Broadcast Date: January 28/10:17PM
Length: 3:50
Source: Local
Description: Students at Oakland Mills High School want to help sick children by becoming bone marrow donors...but to help they need to change the state law. Students are taking their case to the Maryland legislature in hopes of lowering the ages of those who wish to donate.

Broadcast Date: February 1/10:14PM
Length: 3:50
Source: Local
Description: Flu has been one of the world's biggest killers. Reporter Karen Parks looks at a new strain in Thailand which researchers and public health officials believe could create a pandemic.

Broadcast Date: February 7/10:17PM
Length: 3:30
Source: Local
Description: Jennifer Gilbert examines a new fitness center trying to make exercise a little more fun.

Broadcast Date: February 11/10:17PM
Length: 3:30
Source: Local
Description: The fight against obesity is on with fitness leading the defense and offense. Reporter Rebecca Cates examines a new exercise program that mixes physical activity with self defense.

Broadcast Date: February 15/10:22PM
Length: 4:00
Source: Local
Description: Many vaccinations contain mercury. Are children safe when they are vaccinated to prevent disease and illness?

Broadcast Date: February 22 & 23/10:19PM
Length: 3:40 each
Source: Local
Description: "Health Care for All"...great idea but could the cure be a major health crisis? Nick Alexopoulos reports.

Broadcast Date: February 24/10:17PM
Length: 3:30
Source: Local
Description: Karen Parks reports on the use and abuse of caffeine. Many claim caffeine is a disorder and are seeking treatment.

Broadcast Date: February 28/10:23PM
Length: 3:40
Source: Local
Description: A look at the dangers of sleep disorders, how they are diagnosed and how they are treated. Keith Daniels reports.

Broadcast Date: March 10/10:18PM
Length: 3:50
Source: Local
Description: A look at the products and treatments to eliminate cellulite. Reporter Jenna Maloney conducts tests to see which products may...or may not...work.

Broadcast Date: March 22/10:16PM
Length: 3:50
Source: Local
Description: A look at the cancer gene...are some people predisposed to cancer?

Broadcast Date: March 29/10:18PM
Length: 3:30
Source: Local
Description: Local hospitals are using new technology...the cyber knife...to help make cancer treatment and surgery less painful.

ISSUE: EDUCATION

Program: College Bound Scholar of the Week
Broadcast Date: March 7-31/ 7A-11P/ 12 X weekly
Length: :30
Source: Local
Description: In cooperation with the CollegeBound Foundation, the station weekly salutes a college bound Baltimore City high school seniors for his academic achievements, community service and leadership with a profile of the student on his high school campus. The program continues for a 13 week period.

Program: Champions of Courage Black History Month
Broadcast Date: February 1-28/7A-11P/20 X weekly Sundays 10:20PM
Length: :30 / 3-2:30
Source: Local
Description: In celebration of Black History Month, the station held an essay competition in which students grade 6 through 12 were challenged to write a brief essay saluting a positive role model who has shares with them through their actions, beliefs, and living the lessons of Dr. Martin Luther King. Receiving more than 5000 essays, 28 were selected for the students to tape and share with our audience saluting their efforts to keep Dr. King's dream alive in the hearts and minds of youth and to serve a "Champions of Courage" for the entire community.
In addition, three community persons were honored for their commitment and positive role modeling for youth and saluted as "Champions of Courage" with featured news stories.

News at Ten Cover Stories:

Broadcast Date: January 12/10:22PM
Length: 4:00
Source: Local
Description: In efforts to make schools safe and more conducive to learning, Baltimore City is breaking large high schools down into smaller, curriculum based academies. Karen Parks reports.

Broadcast Date: February 9/10:14PM
Length: 3:50
Source: Local
Description: Bus Stop Blues. Reporter Jeff Abell examines the wait times for city school busses and its impact on children's learning.

Broadcast Date: March 17/10:19PM
Length: 3:40
Source: Local
Description: Comic books are making a comeback in the classroom to help students with visual literacy and to make reading more fun!

Broadcast Date: March 21/10:19PM
Length: 3:30
Source: Local
Description: A look at how video games can teach life lessons.

Broadcast Date: March 28/10:17PM
Length: 4:10
Source: Local
Description: Investigative reporter Joy Lepola examines the water of millions of dollars wasted each year in the Baltimore City School system. Where is the money going? And what is its impact?